

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A bactericidal composition comprising as effective ingredients (a) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid and metal salts thereof and (b) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of alpha-type thionin and beta-type thionin.

2. The bactericidal composition according to claim 1, wherein the bactericidal composition is a bactericidal composition for food poisoning bacteria.

3. The bactericidal composition according to claim 2, wherein the content of said (a) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid and metal salts thereof is 0.05 mM or more and less than 1.5 mM and the content of said (b) at least one substance selected from the group consisting of alpha-type thionin and beta-type thionin is 1  $\mu$ g/mL or more and 150  $\mu$ g/mL or less.